Port of Anacortes Cap Sante Marina Marina Advisory Committee September 10th, 2019 Minutes

Members present:

Corey Joyce (Chair, sport fishing), John Richards (Vice Chair, commercial marine), Ken Crews (Commercial fisheries), Bud LeMieux (Secretary, Marine trades), John Stanford Yacht Charters, Dan Averill (Power Boats over 40'), John Guinn (pleasure boats under 40'), Danielle Vincent (Yacht Charters) and Greg Dickison (Commercial Fishing)

Members absent:

Greg Mustari (Yacht brokers)
Mark Lione

Port Staff, Commissioners:

Brad Johnson and John Dumas (POA)
Joe Verdoes

Guests in attendance:

Ralph Cole, Joe and Cariee McKezie

Call to Order: 5:04pm

- Introduction of members and guests
- No minuets to approve from last meeting due to no secretary present
- Marina happenings;
 - o May to present overview presented by Brad Johnson:
 - Anacortes Yacht show was a success with more than 50 more boats than last year
 - Looking at how to expand the moorage for next year with cross docks
 - Waterfront festival was a success
 - Port Staff performed a parking study on entire marina complex
 - By walking the area
 - By use of overhead drones
 - Compared drone images to see who was abusing the length of stay rules in the parking areas so notices could be placed on the vehicles
 - Fishing fleet returning
 - T dock is becoming congested
 - Toured several marinas in the state
 - To learn "Best Practices"

- Any other ideas that could be learned to help the operation of Cap Sante Marina
- Web locker bathroom
 - Access is now by a pass card or a punch-in code
 - Permanent members get a card
 - Guests get a code
 - Code is changed weekly and is updated to the guests.
 - Due to all the issues caused by homeless and transient people causing lots of continual problems with the facilities
 - This started a lively discussing
 - John Stanford asked about the response from the police and the city regarding the new policy
 - John Dumas stated that the police were being very understanding and helpful regarding the issues, which is mostly unhealthy and unsafe conditions that are being caused by the illegal activities of the transient.
 - Guest Ralph Cole asked why they couldn't be unlocked at the start of the shift and relocked at the end of the normal workday.
 - Both Brad and John said that the problems are now during the day, not just at night and the marina staff was spending a lot of valuable time trying to keep the bathroom facilities maintained. The new policy has been received as a positive by the marina guests. A chart was provided by the Port showing the results of a "Restroom Restriction Feedback"
 - Cleaning time has been reduced by 50-60% at the north basin
 - Still trying to determine better Marine Trades access
 - Tailgating remains an issue
 - Seafarers' Memorial park still an issue due to public access policies in the park
- Oil recycling has been moved to inside the web lockers to help control the issue with people dropping off all types of hazardous wastes at the old location.
 - Appears to be working
- Just passed 1,000,000 gallons of fuel sold at the fuel dock
 - Sold 10,500 last Sunday alone
- Ecology inspection at fuel dock pass OK
- Completed a bathometric survey (depth) of the entire marine

- All good except parts of the north basin
- Installed a second water hose on T dock
- Monthly report to the DNR on boats anchored in the outer harbor
 - Boats must leave after 30 days.
 - They can leave and return after 30 days
- Good staff this year
- Web locker electrical upgrade
 - Was on time and under budget
 - Staff will be switching from summer to winter hours shortly
 - o 7:00 to 4:30
- All portions of the marina were up from last year
 - Marina nights
 - RV nights
 - Small boat launches

New Business:

- Web lockers
 - Had new striping installed
 - Per meeting with Fire Marshall
 - Sent letter to all web locker tenants in July to explain
 - Tenants only pay for the building space.
 - New stripe pattern is the same as the old
- This started a lively discussion
 - Ralph Cole;
 - There is no room to work gear
 - Fire lane takes too much space
 - No fire lanes at Bellingham or Dakota Creek
 - Building was originally designed to Co-operate with Port and commercial fishermen
 - John Dumas
 - We talked with the fire department before marking the lot
 - Ralph Cole
 - All fisherman work together to keep it clean and safe
 - We need the area, the parking lot is where we work our nets
 - It appears to be harassment, You don't want us here
 - Started in 1964, no fire lane than
 - Dan Averill
 - No input from "stake holders" they should have been informed
 - Ken Crews
 - Fire trucks can't get a truck there anyway
 - John Dumas
 - The government has added a lot more code requirements since 1964

- Will confirm with the fire department their plan
- Ralph Cole
 - Only need to get a hose to it not a truck
 - Had a conversation with the fire Marshall and he said that it is not required as it now is configured
 - Port originally agreed to a 16,00 lb forklift for the commercial fisherman now it is \$200.00 per hour to use
- John Dumas
 - Will go back to the fire department to see why there are two conflicting stories from them
- Large discussion as to how to keep the area clean.
 - Danielle Vincent said that a fine should be placed on the web locker tenants that don't keep their area clean and orderly
- Brad
 - They send out notices, but they tend to just get ignored
- Dannielle
 - Brought up the fine suggestion again. That may be what is required to get their attention
- John
 - Has been difficult to keep the area clean
- Cory
 - Should have had a discussion about this prior to the stripping being started
- Brad Johnson
 - There is a problem with crab pot storage on the main walkways on the docks
- Cory and Greg Dickison
 - Need to set a limit for time on the dock.
 - Several people agreed and discussed what a reasonable time limit should be
- o Ken Crews
 - The MAC recommends to the Port Commission that commercial gear needs to be off the dock until 5 days prior to a season opening and must be removed by 2 days after the end of the season. This will apply to both the main floating docks as well as the T dock
 - A motion was made by Ken and seconded by Dan Averill
 - The vote by the MAC was unanimous
- John Dumas
 - Need to put in new fiber optic line to fuel dock to help speed up operations
 - Marina rate changes
 - Next year will be the last of the 3 year at 3% increase. After that it will have to be decided what the future will be

- John handed out the 2020 Draft Budget Inputs sheet
 - Maintenance and repair
 - Procurement
 - Under dock carts. It was noted that the commercial crab fisherman are running the carts by overloading them. This will be reviewed as to a solution
 - Dan Averill mentioned that the carts with the open back end can have supplies fall out. Brad mentioned that the carts were of better quality and that most people liked them better
 - John mentioned that some new carts may be procured at a cheap rate if the lawyers will approve the carts having local advertisements on the carts.
 - The manufacture will warrantee the broken wheels on some of the carts
 - Capital Improvements
 - A dock is in final permitting and should start in 2020
 - Q dock was scheduled to be repaired in 2022 but they don't think that it will make it that long.
 - o B dock electrical upgrade
 - There was discussion about the fuel dock repairs upland, with sump lids repaired and sensor tubes replaced due to corrosion. The Port is being proactive on repairs to correct current issues, not looking for money to spend.
- John Stanford moved to adjourn at 6:30 pm
- Next meeting scheduled for November 12, 2019